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For:

A METHOD AND DEVICE FOR PROTECTING MICRO ELECTROMECHANICAL

SYSTEMS STRUCTURES DURING DICING OF A WAFER

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# AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL

Transmitted herewith is an amendment for this application. 1.

### **STATUS**

2.	Applicant is					
	_	a small entity - verified statement:				
		_	attached.			
			already filed			

<u>X</u>

other than a small entity.

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# **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING (37 CFR 1.8(a))**

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#### **EXTENSION OF TERM**

NOTE: "Extension of Time in Patent Cases (Supplement Amendments)--If a timely and complete response has been filed after a Non-Final Office Action, an extension of time is not required to permit filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period.

If a timely response has been filed after a Final Office Action, an extension of time is required to permit filing and/or entry of a Notice of Appeal or filing and/or entry of an additional amendment after expiration of the shortened statutory period unless the timely-filed response placed the application in condition for allowance. Of course, if a Notice of Appeal has been filed within the shortened statutory period, the period has ceased to run." Notice of December 10, 1985 (1061 O.G. 34-35).

NOTE: See 37 CFR 1.645 for extensions of time in interference proceedings and 37 CFR 1.550(c) for extensions of time in reexamination proceedings.

3. The proceedings herein are for a patent application and the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136 apply

(complete (a) or (b) as applicable)

(a) X Applicant petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR 1.136 (fees: 37 CFR 1.17(a)-(d) for the total number of months checked below:

Extension (months)		Fee for other than small entity	Fee for small entity
<u>X</u>	one month	\$ 110.00	\$ 55.00
_	two months	\$ 400.00	\$200.00
_	three months	\$ 920.00	\$460.00
	four months	\$1,440.00	\$720.00
	fifth month	\$1,960.00	\$980.00

Fee \$110.00

If an additional extension of time is required please consider this a petition therefor. (check and complete the next item, if applicable)

	An extension for		months has already been secured and the fee paid					erefor of
	\$	is deducted fro	m the total	fee due f	or the total	l months of	f extension n	ow requested.

Extension fee due with this request \$110.00

OR

(b) \_ Applicant believes that no extension of term is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time.

# FEE FOR CLAIMS

4.	The fee	for claim	ns (37 CFR 1.16(b	)-(d)) ha	s been ca	lculated a	s shown	below:		
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INDEP.		MINUS		=		x40=\$		x80=	\$	
	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				+135=\$		+\$270=	\$		
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# FEE DEFICIENCY

NOTE: If there is a fee deficiency and there is no authorization to charge an account, additional fees are necessary to cover the additional time consumed in making up the original deficiency. If the maximum, six-month period has expired before the deficiency is noted and corrected, the application is held abandoned. In those instances where authorization to charge is included, processing delays are encountered in returning the papers to the PTO Finance Branch in order to apply these charges prior to action on the cases. Authorization to charge the deposit account for any fee deficiency should be checked. See the Notice of April 7, 1986, (1065 O.G. 31-33).

6. X If any additional extension and/or fee is required, charge Account No. 19-0079

# AND/OR

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